

Reply to Notice of Allowance dated July 14, 2004



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPL. NO. : 10/642,800 CONFIRMATION NO.: 3118  
APPLICANTS : VAN DEN DUNGEN, et al.  
FILED : August 18, 2003  
TITLE : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR POSITIONING SEPARATELY  
SUPPLIED ELONGATE MEAT PRODUCTS  
TC/A.U. : 3651  
EXAMINER : Douglas A. HESS  
DOCKET NO. : P06477US1-171  
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE**

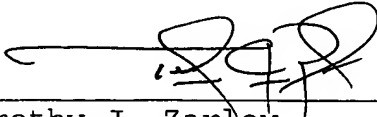
Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowability of July 14, 2004,  
please enter the attached formal drawings.

These formal drawings are being submitted in response to the  
Examiner's request for corrected drawings, which specified that  
identifying indicia such as the application number were not  
supplied on the current set of drawings. Accordingly, the attached  
replacement sheets are correctly labeled in the header according to  
37 C.F.R. 1.121(d). Please find the replacement sheets attached  
hereto.

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a))**

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Timothy J. Zarley

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No fees or extensions of time are believed to be due in connection with this amendment; however, consider this a request for any extension inadvertently omitted, and charge any additional fees to Deposit Account 50-2098.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'TJZ', with a long horizontal line extending to the left.

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